

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Conservation Auditorium, 1st Floor, State Land & Natural Resources Building, 625 North 4th Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on **TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2000**, upon the application of **WALTER OIL & GAS CORPORATION**.

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **5A Marker Sand, Reservoir A**, in the West Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and the production of gas and condensate.
2. To establish a single drilling and production unit for the 5A Marker Sand, Reservoir A, for the exploration for and the production of gas and condensate.
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
4. To designate Chevron U.S.A. Inc. as the unit operator and the Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (Walter Oil & Gas Corporation) - Buras Levee District "E" ("BLD" "E") No. 178 (No. 1) Well as the unit well at a location which is in exception to the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E for the unit so created.
5. To provide that any future replacement and/or alternate unit wells drilled to the 5A Marker Sand, Reservoir A, shall be exempt from the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing if the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.
7. To recognize the 5A Marker Sand, Reservoir A, as a new reservoir and the Chevron U.S.A. Inc. (Walter Oil & Gas Corporation) - BLD "E" No. 178 (No. 1) Well as a new discovery well for the 5A Marker Sand, Reservoir A, pursuant to Part I-C of Chapter 6, Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 (Act 2 of 1994).
8. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The 5A Marker Sand, Reservoir A, in the West Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the depths of 4070' and 4173' (ELM) in the Chevron U.S.A., Inc. (Walter Oil & Gas Corporation) - BLD "E" No. 178 (No.1) Well, located in Section 11, Township 23 South, Range 30 East.

WEST BAY FIELD
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A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Lafayette**, Louisiana.

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

PHILIP N. ASPRODITES
COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

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